2007 Helene M. Overly Memorial/Esther Kmetty Scholarship

The Helene M. Overly Memorial National Scholarship was established in 1981 by the Women's Transportation Seminar (WTS) to encourage women to pursue career paths in transportation. The scholarship is awarded to women pursuing graduate studies in transportation or a related field.

In memory of Helene M. Overly, the first Executive Secretary of WTS, the Board of Directors voted to name the annual WTS graduate scholarship, the Helene M. Overly Memorial Scholarship, to honor Helene for her dedicated service to WTS. Helene became a WTS member in 1981. She brought with her 15 years of experience in public service, tremendous organizational abilities, and a spirit of determination that helped WTS nearly double its membership in two years.

This Graduate Scholarship has been renamed for the Phoenix Metropolitan Chapter to honor our longtime supporter, Esther Kmetty for her contributions and dedications to growing our chapter.

The Phoenix Metro Chapter Overly/Kmetty Scholarship is in the amount of \$3,000. The Phoenix Metro Chapter scholarship winner is then submitted for consideration for the National scholarship of \$6,000. The minimum criteria for selection are as follows:

- a. Open to women only
- b. GPA of 3.0 or higher
- c. Currently enrolled in a graduate degree program in a transportation-related field, such as transportation engineering, planning, finance or logistics
- d. Plans to pursue a career in a transportation-related field

Applications must be submitted through local WTS chapters. The scholarships are competitive and based on the applicant's specific transportation involvement and goals, job skills and academic record. Minority candidates are encouraged to apply. The Local Phoenix Metro Chapter may require personal interviews prior to making its selection. Please contact your local Phoenix Metro WTS chapter at the address listed below for specifics.

Dawn Fortuna, Phoenix Metro Chapter Scholarship Chair

860 North Windsor Circle

Mesa, Arizona 85213

Questions? Email Dawn at dawn.fortuna@c-b.com

Please return the completed application to:

Applications (hard copy with signatures, letter of recommendation, and transcript) must be returned no later than October 30th 2007.

Scholarship recipients are determined in early fall in order to forward to National in December 2007. Checks will be issued in February 2008 at the annual awards banquet.

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III. Employment History
Work Experience (List full-time, part-time, co-op and summer employment. Briefly describe duties and responsibilities. Attach additional sheets, if necessary.)
IV. Recommendation : A letter of recommendation by a professor or job supervisor must accompany your application.
V. Personal Statement: A statement about your career goals after graduation and why you think that you should receive the scholarship award. Statement should not exceed 750 words or three pages. Please attach to application form.
VI. Proof of Enrollment: Attach a copy of your tuition receipt or current registration card.
Source: Please indicate how you heard about this scholarship.
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